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Applicant: Carlos Saldanha et al.

Examiner: Havan, T.

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Title: System and Method for Displaying Selected Garments on a Computer-Simulated Mannequin

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

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Sir:

Applicant responds as follows to the office action mailed July 17, 2002.

This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a one-month extension of the period for responding to the Office action, thereby moving the deadline for response from October 17, 2002 to November 17, 2002. Since November 17, 2002 falls on a Sunday, it is believed that the due date carries over to the next business day, Monday, November 18, 2002.

REMARKS

Applicant has carefully reviewed and considered the office action mailed on July 17, 2002 and the references cited therewith. Claims 1-45 are pending in the application and presently stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). All the rejections are traversed and reconsideration is respectfully requested. No amendments to the claims have been entered herein.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

In the Office Action, claims 1-45 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rom (U.S. Patent No. 6,307,568) in view of Volino ("An Evolving System for Simulating Clothes on Virtual Actors," Computer Graphics in Textiles and Apparel, 42-51, (September 1996)) and further in view of Sakaguchi (CA Patent No. 1,259,788). The specific grounds of rejection stated in the office action are addressed in turn below.